

# MONEY SMART WEEK®

# MONEYSMART KID 2015

## Indiana

■ The Federal Reserve Bank of Chicago and its partner organizations are sponsoring the Money Smart Kid Essay Contest in support of Money Smart Week Indiana April 18-25, 2015.

■ Students in grades 6 through 8 are encouraged to answer this year's Money Smart essay question (see below) with a typed essay of 500 words or less.

■ Three finalists, along with their families and teachers or adult sponsors, will be selected to attend the Money Smart Week Indiana Kickoff Luncheon in Indianapolis on Friday, April 17, 2015.

■ The winners will receive a CollegeChoice 529 Savings Account through the generous sponsorship of CollegeChoice 529, Fifth Third Bank and PNC Bank. The winner will receive \$1000 and the runners up will each receive \$750.

## 2015 MONEY SMART KID ESSAY QUESTION:

***What is the biggest obstacle to saving your money? What technological and/or banking solutions might help you and your friends begin to save?***

## MONEY SMART KID COMMITTEE MEMBERS

Amy Bayliff, Chair	John H. Boner Community Center
Naomi Bechtold	Purdue Extension-Marion County
Diane Braun	YMCA of Southwestern Indiana
Brooke Cooper	Junior Achievement of Central Indiana
Mark Fiddler	
Fiorella Gambetta	PNC Bank
Carol Gassen	First Internet Bank
David Hosick	Fifth Third Bank
Lisa Piercefield	Apprisen
Jeff Sanson	Indiana Council for Economic Education
Bill Wozniak	ISM College Planning
Elaine Yednak	Mary Rigg Neighborhood Center
Luis Zapata	1st Source Bank

## GUIDELINES

### Candidates Must:

■ Be a student in grades 6 – 8 and live in Indiana.

■ Have age and grade level appropriate financial knowledge and money management skills.

■ Be articulate and able to respond well to questions from business leaders and the media.

■ Be recommended by a teacher or other adult leader using this form – **maximum of 5 recommendations per teacher/adult leader.**

■ Have parent or guardian permission to apply and participate.

■ Write an essay of 500 words or less on the 2015 question.

■ Essays should be typed, double spaced and should not include the student's name, school or town. (The information to be excluded from the essay is on the application.) The essay and the application signed by the student, the teacher or adult leader and a parent or guardian should be submitted electronically to **indianamskid@gmail.com** no later than **Tuesday, February 17, 2015.**

■ Essays will be reviewed by the committee by **Tuesday, March 3, 2015**, finalists will be contacted by **Monday, March 9, 2015**, and will be scheduled for a phone interview with the committee on **Wednesday, March 18, 2015.**

■ Winners will be notified by **Monday, March 23, 2015.**

■ **Students may only win twice.**



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## APPLICATION

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HOME ADDRESS		
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CITY	STATE	ZIP CODE
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HOME PHONE NUMBER		
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PARENT/GUARDIAN NAME		
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PARENT/GUARDIAN PHONE NUMBER	PARENT/GUARDIAN EMAIL ADDRESS
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SCHOOL NAME		
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SCHOOL ADDRESS		
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CITY	STATE	ZIP CODE
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SCHOOL PHONE NUMBER		
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TEACHER/ADULT LEADER NAME		
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TEACHER/LEADER PHONE NUMBER	TEACHER/LEADER EMAIL ADDRESS
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STUDENT SIGNATURE		
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PARENT SIGNATURE		
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TEACHER/LEADER SIGNATURE		
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By signing above we affirm that the essay is fully and solely the work of \_\_\_\_\_ (student name) and that said student has parent/guardian permission to participate in the activities of Money Smart Week 2015, including consent to release photos and personal information for media and promotional purposes. Dated this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2015.

Fill out this form, making sure to include all information requested, sign the form as indicated and include it with the essay. Questions can be addressed to [indianamskid@gmail.com](mailto:indianamskid@gmail.com). For more information see [MONEYSMARTWEEK.ORG](http://MONEYSMARTWEEK.ORG)